

IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

UNITED STATES of AMERICA
Plaintiff,

v.

MITCHELL BYRD
Defendant.

18-00279-01-cr-w-dgk

MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE ATTORNEY

Defendant Mitchell Byrd, by and through appointed counsel Joseph W. Vanover, moves this Court appoint a new attorney for defendant and withdraw the undersigned from this case.

Mr. Byrd offers the following:

SUGGESTIONS IN SUPPORT

1. Mr. Byrd was first charged by Complaint on September 21, 2018 with being a felon in possession of a firearm. (Doc. 1). Most recently Mr. Byrd was indicted and accused of the following crimes: possession with intent to distribute cocaine base (two counts), possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, felon in possession of a firearm and threatening a federal official. (Doc. 29). Mr. Byrd has been denied bail. The case is currently on the trial docket starting April 20, 2020.
2. Mr. Byrd's first attorney was Robert Kuchar of the Federal Public Defender's office. The undersigned was appointed on May 8, 2019 after Mr. Kuchar stated Mr. Byrd's interest was adverse to another client. (Doc. 26 and 27).
3. Mr. Byrd has directed the undersigned to file a motion with the Court asking that a new attorney be appointed to represent the defendant and allowing the undersigned to withdraw.

4. Mr. Byrd has directed the undersigned to state the reason why new counsel is necessary is because attorney and client "do not see eye to eye."

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, Mitchell Byrd, requests the Court grant the motion or set it for hearing.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the above and foregoing was transmitted to opposing counsel of record via the CM-ECF system on the date electronically stamped on the lower edge of this document.

by: /s/ Joseph W. Vanover
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